Public Scoping Meetings for the San Luis Transmission Project

Western Area Power Administration (Western), a power marketing administration within the U.S. Department of Energy, is proposing to construct and operate a new transmission line between Tracy power substation in Tracy, CA and the San Luis Reservoir power substation in Santa Nella, CA. The San Luis Transmission Project would interconnect several of the key Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation) San Luis Unit (SLU) water facilities of the Central Valley Project (CVP) within Western's CVP transmission system.

The proposed project includes:

- constructing a new 62-mile long 230-kilovolt (kV) transmission line between the Tracy and San Luis substations
- constructing a new 5-mile long 70-kV transmission line between the San Luis and O'Neill substations
- constructing new access roads and improving existing access roads
- constructing ancillary facilities, such as overhead fiber optic groundwire and substation improvements

Other transmission construction options include: a new 500-kV transmission line about 62 miles in length operated at 230-kV between the Tracy and San Luis substations; a new 500-kV transmission line operated at 500-kV about 62 miles in length between the Tracy and Los Banos substations; and a new 230-kV transmission line about 18 miles in length between San Luis and Dos Amigos substations.

Western determined an environmental impact statement (EIS) is the appropriate level of review under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). Western will be the lead federal agency for the NEPA EIS review process, and Reclamation will be a cooperating agency. Western intends to prepare a joint EIS/environmental impact report (EIR) for the proposed SLTP, in coordination with the San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water Authority (Authority), a California joint powers agency that operates and maintains the SLU facilities for Reclamation. The Authority will be the lead agency under the California Environmental Quality Act. Your input is sought to help Western, Reclamation, and the Authority identify potential impacts and alternatives to be analyzed in the EIS/EIR.

Come to the open-house public scoping meetings:

Wednesday, January 8, 2014, 5 - 8 p.m. Tracy Transit Center 50 East Sixth Street Tracy, CA 95376

Thursday, January 9, 2014, 5 - 8 p.m. Hotel Mission De Oro 13070 South Highway 33 Santa Nella, CA 95322

Send us your comments:

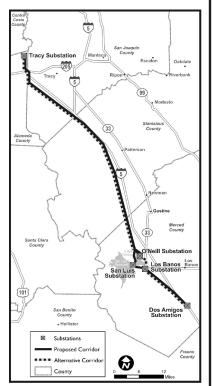
Provide you comments at the open house, by email, by fax,

Send comments by January 21, 2014 to:

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